

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A fastener assembly for securing loads to a track, said fastener assembly being retainable within a track slot of said track, the fastener assembly comprising:

a retainer adapted to fit at least partly within said track slot;

a rotatable handle operating on said retainer, said rotatable handle being rotatable between at least an engagement position and a release position; and

a pressure applicator positioned between said track and said rotatable handle, said pressure applicator having a bottom surface for applying a pressure on a top surface of said track in response to the position of said rotatable handle,

wherein said pressure applicator includes at least one projection projecting from an interior region of said bottom surface and adapted to engage a positioning scallop of said track.

2. The fastener assembly of claim 1, wherein said at least one projection has a periphery substantially conforming to a periphery of said positioning scallop.

3. The fastener assembly of claim 1, wherein said fastener assembly includes at least two projections projecting from the interior region of said bottom surface and adapted to engage positioning scallops of said track.

4. The fastener assembly of claim 3, further comprising:

a slot guide projecting from said bottom surface and adapted to engage said track slot of said track.

5. The fastener assembly of claim 4, wherein said slot guide is positioned between said at least two projections.

6. The fastener assembly of claim 1, wherein said at least one projection is spaced at some distance on all sides from a periphery of said bottom surface.

7. A fastener assembly for securing loads to a track, said fastener assembly being retainable within a track slot of said track, the fastener assembly comprising:

- a retainer adapted to fit at least partly within said track slot;

- a rotatable handle operating on said retainer, said rotatable handle being rotatable between at least an engagement position and a release position; and

- a pressure applicator positioned between said track and said rotatable handle, said pressure applicator having a bottom surface for applying a pressure on a top surface of said track in response to the position of said rotatable handle,

- wherein said pressure applicator includes

- at least two projections projecting from said bottom surface and adapted to engage positioning scallops of said track; and

- a slot guide projecting from said bottom surface between said at least two projections and adapted to engage said track slot of said track.

8. The fastener assembly of claim 7, wherein said at least two projections project from an interior of said bottom surface.

9. The fastener assembly of claim 8, wherein said bottom surface surrounds said at least two projections.

10. The fastener assembly of claim 7, wherein said at least two projections have a periphery substantially conforming to a periphery of said positioning scallop.

11. A fastener assembly for securing loads to a track, said fastener assembly being retainable within a track slot of said track, the fastener assembly comprising:

means for retaining said fastener assembly on said track;

means for engaging and releasing said means for retaining from said track, said means for engaging and releasing being rotatable between at least an engagement position and a release position;

means for applying a pressure on a top surface of said track in response to the position of said means for engaging and releasing; and

means for coupling said fastener assembly to a positioning scallop of said track, said means for coupling being positioned within an interior region of said means for applying a pressure.

12. The fastener assembly of claim 11, wherein said means for coupling has a periphery substantially conforming to a periphery of said positioning scallop.

13. The fastener assembly of claim 11, wherein said means for coupling is spaced at some distance on all sides from a periphery of a bottom surface of said means for applying a pressure.

14. A fitting for a track in a cargo area of a vehicle, the track having a plurality of positioning scallops, the fitting comprising:

a retainer adapted to fit at least partly within a track slot of the track; and

a pressure applicator having a bottom surface for applying a pressure on a top surface of the track, wherein the pressure applicator includes at least four surfaces in the shape of a portion of a circle having a radius of approximately 5 mm to engage the positioning scallops to position the fitting.

15. The fitting of claim 14, wherein centers of curvature of two of the four surfaces are approximately 40 mm apart from center of curvature of another two of the four surfaces.